



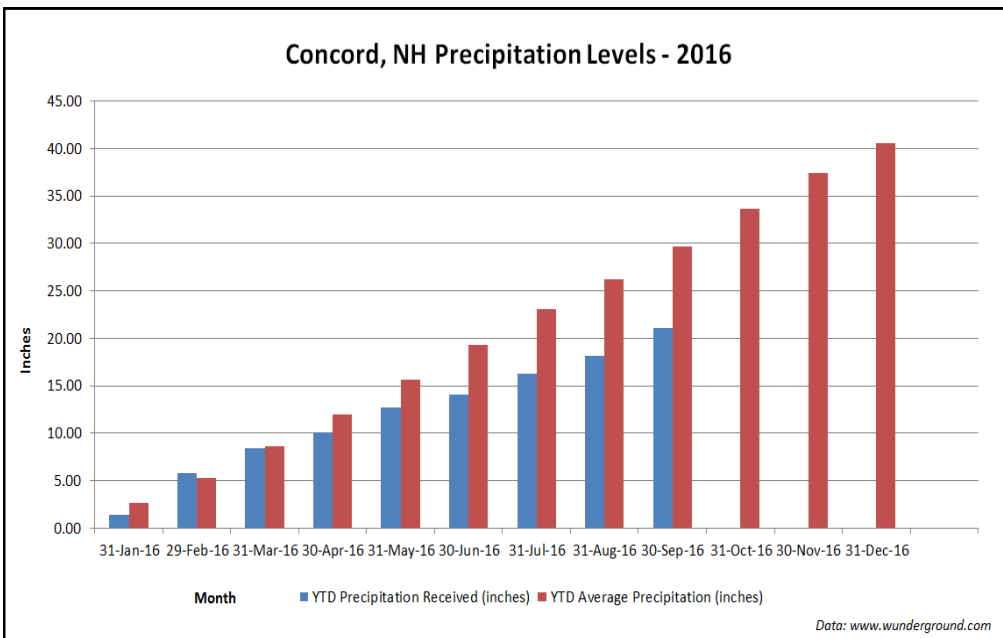
City of Concord

Weekly City Manager Newsletter

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REQUEST TO REFRAIN FROM LAWN WATERING

The City is asking all water customers to continue to use water conservatively and to suspend all non-essential outdoor water use, such as lawn irrigation, with the exception of hand watering vegetable gardens and newly planted vegetation. The drought has worsened and originally severe conditions in the southeastern area of the state have intensified to extreme conditions and are expanding. Despite recent rainfall, Concord remains 8.6 inches below average for this time of year. Each month, the gap widens between average precipitation levels and actual precipitation received. Rain and snow are urgently needed to restore groundwater resources to sustain drinking water supplies for next year. The biggest concern is not receiving sufficient snowfall this winter to restore the Penacook Lake watershed. If precipitation levels remain this way through the winter, a water ban will need to be considered for next year.



There are things water consumers can do to minimize water use indoors, such as replacing old fixtures with EPA WaterSense certified products. Upgrading to these products (toilets, showerheads, and aerators) can save hundreds of gallons of water for families, while saving energy and potentially even money off utility bills. There are other small tasks that can make a big difference over time, like turning off faucets while washing dishes and hands, only washing full loads of laundry, taking shorter showers, and fixing any household leaks. The City asks that residents adopt these water saving habits throughout the year to help reduce the demand on our community's water resources.

Visit www.concordnh.gov/conservation for additional conservation recommendations. Statewide drought updates can be found at www.des.nh.gov.

PROPERTY TAXES

Property owners are reminded that 2nd quarter property tax payments are due on October 1st.

PUBLIC MEETING RE: NEW SKATE HOUSE

On **Monday, October 3rd**, at **6:00 PM**, at the UNH School of Law, there will be a community meeting on the proposed new skate house for White Park. City staff will review past options for a new skate house and will present a new option for the skate house to be built in its current location in the park.

COFFEE WITH A COP



The Concord Police Department will host "Coffee with a Cop" on **Tuesday, October 4th**, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, at the Newell Post restaurant,

located at 125 Fisherville Road. This event provides a unique opportunity for Concord Police Officers and community members to come together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues and build relationships in a relaxed interaction over coffee. Members of the community are invited to attend to ask questions, bring concerns, or simply get to know our officers.



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FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES AWARD

The NH Fire & Emergency Medical Services Committee of Merit honored the Concord Fire Department at its annual awards ceremony last week. The Department was one of six agencies honored for leading the implementation of a new information system for emergency medical services. Battalion Chief **Aaron McIntire** received the award on behalf of the Department. He has spent countless hours planning for the change and working with front line providers and the NH Bureau of Emergency Medical Services to identify and correct system issues prior to implementation in the rest of the state.

NEW ENGINE 5



The Concord Fire Department's new Engine 5 arrived last month from the manufacturer. The Equipment Services Division has been very busy preparing it to go into service at the Manor Fire Station on October 1st.

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MAIN STREET PROJECT

Utility crews will continue their work next week on South Main Street. We can expect to see the overhead wires on the east side of the street (Storrs Street side) taken down soon. There are several utility companies involved in this work, therefore the wires will not be coming down all at once. The poles will be removed a bit later. There is still a good deal of work that the utility crews have to do on the west side of the street before the wires will be removed there.

The remaining benches, street signs, parking kiosks, and trash and recycling receptacles will be installed next week; and the large granite bump out at the Capitol Center for the Arts crosswalk will be completed.



SEWALLS FALLS BRIDGE PROJECT

Watch the Concord TV [video](#) below of Brett St. Clair, of Louis Karno & Company, as he talks with City Engineer Ed Roberge about the progress on the Sewalls Falls Bridge. Highlighted is the concrete pouring. For more information about the project, visit www.sewallsfallsbridge.com.

